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WOODS ORDERS FAUROT TO SPARE NO ONE IN INVESTIGATION OF RUTH CRUGER CASE

THREE MORE SHIPS SUNK, ALL HAILING FROM BOSTON; CREW OF ONE REPORTED SAFE

Bay State of Warren Line, Leyland Ship Elele and the Eemdjiki Are Lost.

CAPTAIN CABLES NEWS.

The Elele Recently Chartered and Put in Service From Massachusetts Capital.

BOSTON, June 20.—Word was received to-day of the sinking of three steamers which sailed from Boston—Bay State of the Warren Line, the British ship Elele and the Dutch ship Eemdjiki.

The Bay State, which sailed from Boston May 31 for Liverpool, was sunk by a German submarine.

All members of the crew were saved. The Bay State, under command of Capt. Alexander Fenton, was armed, carried a crew of fifty and a cargo valued at upward of \$2,000,000.

The Bay State, of 6,383 tons gross, was built in 1915, and was owned by Furness, Withy & Co., Limited.

The sinking of the Elele, presumably by a German submarine, was reported in a cable message by the Leyland Line from Capt. Pierce, her commander. The vessel left Boston on June 8 for Manchester, England, with a general cargo. The message made no reference to the crew.

The cablegram from Capt. Pierce merely stated "Vessel sunk." Officers of the line said the crew probably had been saved. The ship arrived here from Alexandria, Egypt, on May 29 with 15,000 bales of Egyptian cotton, valued by port officials at more than \$5,000,000, and took out a cargo worth nearly \$2,000,000.

The Elele registered 4,441 tons gross and was built at West Hartlepool in 1913. Shipping records give the British and African Steam Navigation Company, Limited, of Liverpool, as her owners. The Leyland Line chartered her some time ago for the Boston-European service.

Two Americans shipped on the Elele in Boston after several members of the crew had deserted. They were Thomas F. Powers of No. 111 Hill Street, Naugatuck, Conn., and Eudus Conix of Bridgeport, Me. The ship carried a crew of fifty and was armed.

Reports to the agents of the Dutch steamer Eemdjiki, which left Boston May 13 for Rotterdam, with grain for the Holland Government, gave no details as to the safety of the crew.

The Eemdjiki was held at this port for more than a month through failure to obtain a crew willing to make the voyage to Rotterdam. The vessel was built at Rotterdam in 1914 and registered 5,918 tons gross.

Norwegian Ship Which Sailed From New York Reported Sunk.

The Norwegian steamship Cederle, a freight vessel of 1,175 tons gross, registered, which left New York May 28 for Liverpool, had been sunk by a submarine, according to reports received here today. Officers of the Federal Forwarding Company, which had her under charter, said they had received an official advice of her loss and they have ceased her insurance.

The Cederle was built in 1901 at Trondheim, Norway.

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700 GIRLS REPORTED MISSING TO POLICE IN GREATER CITY IN LAST SIX MONTHS

Sad Tragedy of Ruth Cruger Brings to Light an Amazing List of Disappearances Told of by Relatives and Friends.

That the disappearance of girls of Ruth Cruger's age in this city is even a commoner occurrence than has been generally believed was shown to-day when a search of the records at Police Headquarters by The Evening World revealed the startling fact that since the first of the year the police have been asked to find approximately 700 girls.

The vast majority of those for whom a general alarm was sent out were between fifteen and seventeen years old, though the ages of those sought range from thirteen to thirty.

In bearing this amazing figure in mind it must be remembered that a general alarm is not resorted to until a person has been missing at least twenty-four hours, so that none of these cases are those of girls who simply stayed out over night. A great many of those reported missing have been restored to their parents and guardians, many more have returned home voluntarily—just how many the police do not know, as in a lot of cases they are not notified of the return—but a great number have vanished as completely as did little Ruth Cruger.

MANY LEFT THEIR HOMES OF THEIR OWN ACCORD.

A great many of these girls left home of their own accord, but even the police are willing to admit that many of the number, especially the very young ones, are lured away. In many of the cases it is believed the girls have fallen victims of designing men, either being held as prisoners or free to return being ashamed to face their families and friends.

A study of the list of missing girls is further proof of the cosmopolitan character of the city, nearly a dozen nationalities being represented.

A few of the missing girls disappeared here while on visits from other cities, but the remainder vanished from their homes in the five boroughs. Brooklyn leads the list in this respect.

Every case has its own little story. Many of them, so far as those still unaccounted for, tell of heartbroken parents, calling up the Bureau of Missing Persons day after day in the hope that some trace of the lost one may have been found. Women too poor to pay telephone calls or carfare frugal to the bureau from all parts of the city and bear the sympathetic policemen to redouble their efforts and bring back the lost girl.

In a great many of the cases the disappearance of the girls has been as remarkable as that of Ruth Cruger. A large number of them have vanished completely within a block or two of their homes, going to neighboring stores on errands and never coming back. Some have left clues behind which have kept hope alive for days, only to have the search end in failure.

LIST OF GIRLS AND WOMEN WHO WERE REPORTED MISSING.

Following is a list of girls and women who have since Jan. 1 been reported to the police as missing:

Margaret Virginia Clark, fourteen, No. 23 East Thirty-second Street, Jan. 1.
Mabel Borgatta, sixteen, No. 572 Broadway Avenue, Astoria, Jan. 2.
Mary Parascos, sixteen, No. 225 N. York Street, Brooklyn, Jan. 1.
Ellis Jensen, sixteen, No. 154 Forty-ninth Street, Brooklyn, Jan. 1.
Mary De Mott, twenty-two, No. 225 Pacific Street, Brooklyn, Jan. 1.
Margaret Julia, sixteen, No. 8 Fourth Street, Queens, Jan. 1.
Annie De Koe, fourteen, No. 24 West One Hundred and Fourth Street, Jan. 1.
Frances Brown, sixteen, No. 413 Hamilton Street, Astoria, Jan. 1.
Yoranda Morelli, fifteen, No. 425 West Sixty-seventh Street, Jan. 1.
Sadie Longley, twenty-four, No. 242 East Twenty-fourth Street, Jan. 1.
Lillian Callahan, seventeen.

Most of Those Who Left Their Homes Ranged From 13 to 30—Brooklyn Leads in Number Reported—12 Nations Represented.

Beckie Novick, twenty-six, No. 4023 Third Avenue, Jan. 10.
"Dolly Zito, eighteen, No. 1207 Avenue, Bronx, Jan. 12.
Maude C. Adams, fifteen, No. 143 Tenth Avenue, Jan. 12.
Lucy Fogel, eighteen, No. 167 Broadway Avenue, Jan. 9.
Margaret Chodorov, fifteen, No. 620 East Seventy-ninth Street, Jan. 18.
Rose Acello, sixteen, No. 717 Tenth Street, Brooklyn, Jan. 17.
Melba Baneroff, fourteen, No. 1000 D. C. Jan. 17.

POPULAR FUND URGED TO ERECT MONUMENT FOR RUTH CRUGER.

To the Editor of The Evening World: Every heart of man and woman goes deeply in sympathy for the Cruger family, and every tongue praises the untiring efforts of the father to solve the mystery and clear his child's name from suspicion. In this he succeeded, and Mrs. Humiston, with her able aids, has accomplished something which has surprised the world.

Their work, while in its origin a private affair, has now assumed great public interest; therefore, the work accomplished both by the father and Mrs. Humiston, is a great service to the community, and I believe that the people are now willing to reimburse the parties connected in some way.

I suggest that your paper should start a subscription for that purpose, and also to erect a monument over the grave of Ruth Cruger, with the inscription something like this: "Ruth Cruger, died to save her honor."

I hope that this will meet your approval, and if it does my check will follow. The writer is a news dealer living in the neighborhood of the Cruger family.

BENONI TASHJIAN.



LA RUE GIRL WHO FIGURES IN CRUGER MYSTERY.

Rose Sumner, thirteen, No. 56 Sixteenth Street, Brooklyn, Jan. 2.
Theresa Schmidt, twenty-four, No. 144 Boston Road, Bronx, Jan. 5.
Margaret Morrison, twenty, No. 618 Seneca Avenue, Richmond, Jan. 9.
Police Reux, twenty-six, No. 444 Ninth Avenue, Jan. 4.
Pauline White, thirteen, No. 37 West Thirty-sixth Street, Jan. 6.
Mary Clark, fourteen, No. 338 East Thirty-second Street, Jan. 1.
Kitty Cohen, seventeen, No. 831 Kelly Street, Bronx, Jan. 6.
Anna Uva, sixteen, No. 301 East One Hundred and Fourteenth Street, Jan. 9.
Ada Slater, eighteen, No. 124 West One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Street, Jan. 9.
Geraldine Pasolanto, sixteen, No. 421 East One Hundred and Fourteenth Street, Jan. 1.
Ruth Farrell, eighteen, No. 1803 Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, Jan. 2.
Mamie Camardo, fourteen, No. 189 Orchard Street, Jan. 4.
Anna Lee, fourteen, No. 16 Goerck Street, Jan. 9.
Frances Werner, sixteen, No. 78 Avenue A, Jan. 7.
Catharine Morelli, thirteen, No. 523 West Sixty-seventh Street, Jan. 8.
Ida M. Sallier, eighteen, No. 124 West One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Street, Jan. 9.
Mary Rosell, sixteen, No. 122 Central Avenue, Brooklyn, Jan. 11.
Alice Connor, fourteen, No. 119 Christopher Street, Jan. 7.
Mae Camp, sixteen, No. 483 Amsterdam Avenue, Jan. 6.
Ruth Camp, fourteen, No. 492 Amsterdam Avenue, Jan. 6.
Rose Bloverman, seventeen, No. 451 Sackman Street, Brooklyn, Jan. 10.
Elizabeth Semper, fourteen, No. 130 Boone Avenue, Jan. 16.
Virginia French, fifteen, Tenth Street, College Point, Queens, Jan. 12.
Margaret Kinsch, fifteen, No. 215 Pleasant Avenue, Jan. 6.
Rose Gloverman, seventeen, No. 420 Sackman Street, Brooklyn, Jan. 10.
Margaret Day, fifteen, No. 150 West One Hundred and Forty-fifth Street, Jan. 12.
Florence Whitton, thirteen, No. 145 East One Hundred and Eighth Street, Jan. 18.

INQUIRY INTO WHITE SLAVERY IS COMBINED WITH SEARCH FOR POLICE FORCE BUNGLERS

Revelation Regarding 700 Disappearances of Girls Brings Reorganization of Missing Persons Bureau—To Dig Up More Cellars.

WIFE TELLS OF COCCHI'S ATTENTIONS TO GIRLS

The Ruth Cruger murder, the assertions of Mrs. Grace Humiston, who found Miss Cruger's body, that there is organized white slave traffic in New York which is responsible for many murders and the astounding revelation taken from official records that 700 young girls—about five a day—have disappeared in this city since the first of the year were all turned over by Commissioner Woods to Inspector Faurot to-day for special investigation and report.

Faurot has been detached from all other duty. His authority in the investigation is unlimited and he can have all the men and money he wants. As soon as he received his orders he began to assemble his special staff. More than a dozen veteran detectives who have had wide experience in homicide investigations were soon gathered as the nucleus of the new organization.

ALL N. Y. REGIMENTS TO BE INCLUDED IN WILSON'S 1ST CALL

Those Who Saw Service at Border to Go to France as a Tactical Unit.

When President Wilson's call for mobilization on July 15 is sent out, it will include every National Guard regiment in New York State. This was learned to-day on very good authority at Division Headquarters in the Municipal Building. It had been believed all along that only the Sixth Division, which saw service on the Mexican border, would be sent to France. Regiments that will not be picked to go with the Sixth Division will be brigaded with other military units.

The regiments not included in the Sixth Division when it went to the Mexican border were the First, of Birmingham; Tenth of Albany; Fifteenth of Manhattan; and the Forty-seventh of Brooklyn.

The Sixth Division, which, with very few changes, will go to France as a tactical unit, was comprised of the following organizations when it went to Texas: Division Headquarters, Squadron A, First, Second and Third Field Artillery, First, Second, Third and Fourth Field Hospitals and First, Second, Third and Fourth Field Ambulance Companies, First Brigade Signal Corps, Twenty-second Engineers and the following infantry regiments: Second, Fourteenth, Sixty-ninth, Seventy, Seventy-first, Third, Twenty-third and Seventy-fourth.

(For Racing Results See Page 2.)

A FINE THIRST QUENCHER
Henderson's Acid Phosphate, a delicious and healthful beverage, is sold in all drug stores, and is also sold in bulk for home use. It is a fine thirst quencher and is also a good food.

Inspector Faurot is to investigate not only the Ruth Cruger murder but every phase of the police investigation of that crime. He is to discover and report the reason why Alfredo Cocchi, the only suspect in the Cruger case, was allowed to escape. His orders are to spare nobody, and he has chosen as his confidential aides men he knows to be beyond influence.

Out of the Faurot investigation there promises to grow a branch of police activity which will be devoted exclusively to a search for young girls who disappear from their homes. This work has been in the hands of the Bureau of Missing Persons, and it has been discovered that the staff of that Bureau has been utterly inadequate. Nothing like a thorough investigation could be made of any case.

WOMEN DETECTIVES TO HELP IN NEW WORK

The bureau, under Acting Capt. Grant Williams, is to be enlarged. The missing girl question is going to become a branch of specialized police work. Incidentally the white slave traffic allegations of Mrs. Humiston will be looked into by female as well as male detectives.

Vice Chairman Robert L. Moran of the Board of Aldermen is arranging for a conference with District Attorney Swann, at which will be discussed the advisability of an Aldermanic investigation of the Police Department's sleuthing methods.

It was unofficially learned at the District Attorney's office by Aldermen that if they are in earnest in their desire to investigate the Police Department, a raft of information gathered by Mr. Swann and his assistants will be quickly placed at their disposal. It was said at City Hall that if the aldermen begin digging into certain phases of police work there is a likelihood of the inquiry surpassing the Curran investigation in importance.

CELLARS OF COCCHI'S FORMER SHOPS TO BE DUG UP

The cellars of repair shops occupied by Cocchi before he located in West One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Street will be dug up without delay in a search for possible victims other than Ruth Cruger. Lieut. O'Brien of the Department of Repairs and Supplies has been assigned by Inspector Faurot to take